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For : IMMUNOGENIC β -PROPIONAMIDO-LINKED
POLYSACCHARIDE PROTEIN CONJUGATE USEFUL AS A
VACCINE PRODUCED USING AN N-ACRYLOYLATED
POLYSACCHARIDE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination and calculation of the filing fee, please amend the application as follows.

In addition, a copy of a Petition for a three (3) month Extension of Time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) and the required fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b) as filed in the parent application 09/376,911 to extend the time for the parent application until January 20, 2004 is submitted herewith.

Amendments to the Specification begin at page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/ Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.